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Urgent Action Required - FS Comment Deadline January 20th

Action Items:

-----A. Please forward this message to your e-mail list.

----B. Please fill out the Comment Questionnaire below and send it by e-mail, fax or US Mail to the listed address of the US Forest Service.

E-mail and Fax Deadline Monday, January 24, 2011, US Mail Deadline January 20, 2011

Chattooga Wild & Scenic River Comment Questionnaire

Comments For The Record -U.S. Forest Service -Chattooga W & S River Management Plan

To: U.S. Forest Service, Chattooga W & S River Management Planning Process

Below are my concerns and comments regarding the Chattooga W & S River.

These are my comments regarding the Chattooga W & S River. Please include them in the official record of the Chattooga W & S River Management Plan. Please consider a photocopy as valid as the original.

Print Your Name

Dear Private Property, Federal lands and Multiple-Use Advocate:

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modify these comments in any way.) 1) The Forest Service should document the direct and indirect affects

that unlimited recreation would have on both public and private lands along the Chattooga River as required by the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA). USFS policy should not encourage trespassing.

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2) The Forest Service should recognize the boundaries between private and public lands, especially those already documented to Congress during the Wild and Scenic Designation process.

Agree.)...Disagree.....No Opinion

3) The Forest Service should work with Landowner when setting management policy; they should not simply ignore private property rights. Vague references to private lands are insufficient.

Agree,....No Opinion

4) The USFS should either avoid including private lands within designated Forests, and Wild and Scenic Rivers, or clarify that designation does not affect property rights. Special land designation that imply public use of private lands are unconstitutional.

Agree/....Disagree.....No Opinion

5) Ask the USFS to avoid being pressured by self-scrving special interest lobbies seeking to turn private lands into their own playgrounds at the expense of taxpaying landowners.

Agred.....Disagree.....No Opinion

(Your written comments here below are essential if you want the US Forest Service to really pay attention to this document. You may borrow or expand on the statements above and write them in below.)

(If needed, use additional sheets or attach a personal letter)

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Please do not fail to send this testimony questionnaire even if you receive it late. It will often be accepted.

E-mail and Fax Deadline Monday, January 24, 2011, Send it even if you receive it late.

The Full Story:

Chattooga River/NO boating!

From: Ellie Hogan (emjdh@hotmail.com)

Sent: Sat 12/18/10 4:00 PM

To: comments-southern-francismarion-sumpter@fs.fed.us

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I have been hiking and swimming in this river since 1975. From Grimshaws bridge to the Iron Bridge. Up and down, in the river and out. It is a place that feeds my soul. Please do not allow boating on this section of the river. It's too low, to hard to access, dangerous at times and one of the only sections of the river that is not commercially run. Leave it alone. PLEASE. Sincerely,

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Ellie Hogan PO. BOX 412 Highlands, NC

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- 1. The upper Chattooga is rarely more than a "creek"; it does not have sufficient water to float any craft.
- 2. The upper Chattooga is a place of serenity for nature study, photography, bird and wildlife study, meditation, fishing, and hiking and should be preserved without the interference of boaters.
- 3. The upper Chattooga is the least accessible part of the river. Boating there would encourage the illegal building of roads into a designated Wild and Scenic River corridor and into the Ellicott Wilderness Area.
- 4. USFS does not e pastave the resources to enforce the restrictions that have been proposed if boating is allowed.
- 5. If any relaxation of the ban is to be done, then do it below the Burrell's Ford bridge which would not require as much enforcement manpower. concur with each of these points. Ellie Hogan

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December 22, 2010

U.S. Forest Service 4931 Broad River Road Columbia, South Carolina 29212

Re: Chatooga River

This is to advise that I oppose all boating, canoeing, kayaking, etc. on the upper Chatooga River.

Yours truly,

Richard Melvin

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